

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

ABC CORPORATION and  
DEF CORPORATION,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THE PARTNERSHIPS and  
UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS  
IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE “A”,

Defendants.

Case No. 22-cv-05582

**Judge Ronald A. Guzman**

**Magistrate Judge Sheila M. Finnegan**

**EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER**

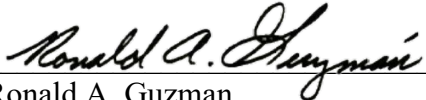
THIS CAUSE being before the Court on Plaintiffs ABC Corporation and DEC Corporation’s (“Plaintiffs”) *Ex Parte* Motion to Extend the Temporary Restraining Order against the fully interactive e-commerce stores operating under the seller aliases identified in Schedule A to the Complaint (the “Seller Aliases”), and this Court having heard the evidence before it hereby GRANTS Plaintiffs’ *Ex Parte* Motion and orders that the Temporary Restraining Order (“TRO”) entered on October 18, 2022 shall be extended for a period of fourteen (14) days until November 15, 2022, and shall apply to the Defendants identified in Schedule A attached to the TRO with the exception of any dismissed Defendants.

Rule 65(b)(2) states that a temporary restraining order entered without notice may be extended provided a party can show, prior to the expiration of the order, good cause for such an extension. Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(b)(2). This Court finds good cause for an extension and that additional time is needed before a preliminary injunction hearing can be held in this case for at least the reasons stated herein. Specific facts in the Declaration of Martin F. Trainor showed that

additional time is needed for third parties to comply with the TRO. Good cause also exists for the extension because there is a high probability that the Defendants will continue to harm Plaintiffs without the TRO in place. Specifically, Defendants will likely attempt to move any assets from their financial accounts to offshore accounts. As found in granting the TRO, this possibility of harm is significant. Accordingly, in the interest of justice, extension of the TRO is necessary.

This Court also finds that issuing this Order without notice pursuant to Rule 65(b)(1) is appropriate because Plaintiffs have presented facts in the Declaration of Paul Varley included with Plaintiffs' *Ex Parte* Motion for Entry of a Temporary Restraining Order and accompanying evidence clearly showing that immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage will result to the movant before the adverse party can be heard in opposition. Specifically, in the absence of an *ex parte* order, Defendants could and likely would move any assets from Defendants' accounts in U.S.-based financial accounts to offshore accounts. As this Court and other courts have recognized, proceedings against those who deliberately traffic in counterfeit merchandise are often useless if notice is given to the adverse party. Accordingly, this Court orders that the TRO shall be extended for a period of fourteen (14) days until November 15, 2022.

Entered on October 28, 2022.

  
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Ronald A. Guzman  
United States District Judge